

three dollars a day, or to an amount not exceeding one hundred and thirty-five dollars per quarter when acting as road commissioner, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 599, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 76, General Laws, 1901, to create a more efficient road system for Erath county etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 672, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Callahan county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.  
RUSSELL, Vice-Chairman.

### THIRTY-FIFTH DAY.

(Monday, February 26, 1917.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Bagby.	Florer.
Baker.	Fly.
Beard of Harris.	Haidusek.
Beard of Milam.	Hardey.
Beasley.	Harris.
Beason.	Hartman.
Bedell.	Hawkins.
Bell.	Hill.
Bertram.	Holland.
Blackburn.	Hudspeth.
Blackmon.	Johnson.
Blalock.	Jones.
Bland.	Laas.
Bledsoe.	Lacey.
Boner.	Lange.
Brown.	Lanier.
Bryan.	Lee.
Bryant.	Lindemann.
Burton of Rusk.	Low.
Burton of Tarrant.	of Washington.
Butler.	McComb.
Cadenhead.	McCoy.
Canales.	McDowra.
Carlock.	McFarland.
Clark.	McMillin.
Cope.	Martin.
Cox.	Meador.
Crudgington.	Mendell.
Davis of Dallas.	Metcalfe.
Davis of Grimes.	Miller of Austin.
Davis	Miller of Dallas.
of Van Zandt.	Moore.
Dodd.	Morris.
Dudley.	Murrell.
Estes.	Neeley.
Fairchild.	Neill.
Fisher.	Nichols.

Nordhaus.	Swope.
O'Banion.	Taylor.
O'Brien.	Templeton.
Osborne.	Terrell.
Parks.	Thomason
Peddy.	of El Paso.
Peyton.	Thomason
Pillow.	of Nacogdoches.
Pope.	Thompson
Raiden.	of Hunt.
Reeves.	Thompson
Robertson.	of Red River.
Roemer.	Tilson.
Rogers.	Traylor.
Russell.	Upchurch.
Sackett.	Valentine.
Sallas.	Veatch.
Sentell.	Walker.
Schlesinger.	White.
Scholl.	Williams
Seawright.	of Brazoria.
Sholars.	Williams
Smith of Bastrop.	of McLennan.
Smith of Hopkins.	Williford.
Smith of Scurry.	Wilson.
Spencer of Nolan.	Woods.
Spencer of Wise.	Woodul.
Spradley.	Yantis.
Stewart.	

Absent.

Denton.	Richards.
Greenwood.	Tillotson.
Lowe	Tinner.
of McMullen.	Tschoepe.
Poage.	

Absent—Excused.

Cates.	Monday.
De Bogory.	Schlosshan.
Dunnam.	Strayhorn.
Fitzpatrick.	Thomas.
Laney.	Wahrmund.

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

### LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Dunnam, for today, on motion of Mr. Sholars.

Mr. Monday, for today, on motion of Mr. Fisher.

Mr. Wahrmund, for today, on motion of Mr. Nordhaus.

Mr. Cates, for last Saturday and today, on motion of Mr. Mendell.

Mr. Miller of Dallas, for last Saturday, on motion of Mr. Mendell.

Mr. Fitzpatrick, for today, on motion of Mr. Cox.

Mr. Laney, for last Saturday and today, on motion of Mr. Parks.

Mr. Thomason of El Paso, for Saturday and today, on motion of Mr. Dudley. Dudley.

Mr. Schlosshan, for last Saturday and today, on motion of Mr. Bedell.

Mr. O'Banion, for last Saturday, on motion of Mr. Blalock.

Mr. Thomas, for today, on motion of Mr. Upchurch.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of sickness:

Mr. Strayhorn, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. O'Brien.

Mr. De Bogory, for today, on motion of Mr. Hartman.

#### SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

S. B. No. 389, to the Committee on Education.

S. B. No. 82, to the Committee on Education.

#### HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Fitzpatrick:

H. B. No. 772, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Article 1658 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, fixing the terms of Court of Criminal Appeals and to enact in its stead a new article, hereafter known by the same number, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Supreme Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Fitzpatrick:

H. B. No. 773, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Article 1585 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, fixing the terms of the Courts of Civil Appeals, and to enact in its stead a new article hereafter known by the same number, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Supreme Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Fitzpatrick:

H. B. No. 774, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Article 1518 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, fixing the terms of the Supreme Court, and to enact in its stead a new article hereafter known by the same number, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Supreme Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Clark, Mr. Thompson of Red River, Mr. Metcalfe, Mr. Denton and Mr. Boner:

H. B. No. 775, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7051 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, relating to the salary and compensation for expenses of the Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Texas, and requiring of said officer annual sworn statements of expenses incurred by him in connection with the duties of his office during each fiscal year; amending Article 4441 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas relating to the annual salary of the chief clerk to the Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Texas, and to compensation for expenses incurred by him while traveling on the business of the office under the direction of the Commissioner and the manner in which the same shall be paid, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Morris:

H. B. No. 776, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 56 of the Local and Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, which said act was 'An Act incorporating the Meridian Independent School District in Bosque county, Texas, for free school purposes only, etc., and declaring an emergency.'"

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Woodul:

H. B. No. 777, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define and provide for organizing and disciplining the militia of the State of Texas, and defining the National Guard of Texas so as to conform with the National Defense Act, enacted by the Sixty-fourth Congress of the United States, approved June 3, 1916; creating the office of the Adjutant General of the State of Texas, and providing for the appointment of necessary clerks and assistants; to prescribe the duties of the Governor, the Adjutant General, and all officers and enlisted men of the National Guard of Texas; to define military offenses; to provide for the punishment thereof; prescribing articles of war; providing for the creation of military courts and boards, and the military trial court, and prescribing their procedure; providing for draft from the unorganized militia in time of war; providing for

pay, transportation and subsistence of the officers and enlisted men of the National Guard of Texas, when in actual service of the State; and to repeal Chapters 1, 2 and 3, Title 91, Revised Civil Statutes, 1911, and all other laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

Referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Seawright:

H. B. No. 778, A bill to be entitled "An Act incorporating and creating the Kosso Independent School District of Limestone and Falls counties, Texas, including the town of Kosse, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Sackett:

H. B. No. 779, A bill to be entitled "An Act increasing Valera Common School District No. 52 to conform to certain metes and bounds; providing that said district shall be governed by the general laws of the State, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

#### BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Thomason of Nacogdoches, it was ordered that House bill No. 764 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Van Zandt, it was ordered that House bill No. 769 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Sackett, it was ordered that House bill No. 779 be not printed.

#### BILL ORDERED PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Butler, it was ordered that House bill No. 717, reported unfavorably, be printed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 615 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. McMillin, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 615, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 77 of the General Laws of the Thirty-second Legislature, approved March 17, 1911, and entitled 'An Act to provide for the location, establishment and maintenance of two colonies for the treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis and to provide for the care and treatment of indigent consumptives, and making an appropriation therefor; defining a "citi-

zen", as used in this act, and declaring an emergency,' as amended by the Act of March 31, 1913, by adding thereto Sections 22, 23 and 24, authorizing charitable fraternities or societies in this State to erect upon the grounds of the State Tuberculosis Sanitarium accommodations for the preferential use of their own members and their families and the widows and children of their deceased members, such persons to be otherwise admitted, maintained, cared for and treated in said sanitarium under the same rules and regulations as other patients thereof, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

Mr. McMillin moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 508 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Osborne, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 508, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Fortieth Judicial District, and to create the Eighty-fourth Judicial District of the State of Texas; prescribing the time for holding district courts therein; and providing for the appointment of the district judge in said Eighty-fourth Judicial District; and providing that any district court in session when act takes effect shall continue to end of its term, and that process, recognizances, bail bonds, appeal bonds and jurors heretofore selected are valid and returnable to first session after this act takes effect, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Osborne offered the following (committee) amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend House bill No. 508 by striking out all below the enacting clause and inserting the following:

Section 1. That the county of Ellis be and the same is hereby constituted the Fortieth Judicial District, and the terms of district courts therein shall be held each year as follows:

One term beginning on the first Mon-

day in March of each year and continuing in session until the first Monday in June.

One term beginning on the first Monday in June of each year and continuing in session until the first Monday in September.

One term beginning on the first Monday in September of each year and continuing in session until the first Monday in December.

One term beginning on the first Monday in December of each year and continuing in session until the first Monday in March.

Sec. 2. The district judge of the Fortieth Judicial District, as formerly constituted, shall continue in office as district judge of the Fortieth Judicial District as, herein constituted, until the end of the term for which he was elected.

Sec. 3. The counties of Upshur, Wood and Smith shall hereafter constitute and be the Seventh Judicial District of the State of Texas and the terms of the district court shall be held therein each year as follows:

In the county of Upshur: One term beginning on the second Monday in January, and may continue in session six weeks.

In the county of Wood: Beginning on the seventh Monday after the second Monday in January, and may continue in session six weeks.

In the county of Smith: Beginning on the thirteenth Monday after the second Monday in January, and may continue in session until the thirtieth day of June.

In the county of Upshur: Beginning on the first Monday in July, and may continue in session six weeks.

In the county of Wood: Beginning on the seventh Monday after the first Monday in July, and may continue in session six weeks.

In the county of Smith: Beginning on the thirteenth after the first Monday in July, and may continue in session until the third Saturday in December.

Sec. 4. The district judge of the Seventh Judicial District, as formerly constituted, and the district attorney thereof, shall continue in office as district judge and district attorney of the Seventh Judicial District, as herein constituted, until the end of the term for which they were elected.

Sec. 5. Dallas county shall consti-

tute the Fourteenth Judicial District instead of Dallas and Rockwall, as it has heretofore existed, and the district court of the said Fourteenth Judicial District shall hold four terms each year in the county of Dallas, as follows:

Beginning on the second Monday in January and ending on the Saturday before the second Monday in April.

Beginning on the second Monday in April and ending on Saturday before the second Monday in July.

Beginning on the second Monday in July and ending on Saturday before the second Monday in October.

Beginning on the second Monday in October and ending on Saturday before the second Monday in January.

The said Fourteenth Judicial District Court shall continue and have jurisdiction as is now provided by the acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, Chapter 89, approved March 31, 1913, save and except as the said act may apply to Rockwall county. Nothing herein nor in this act shall be construed to in any manner affect the jurisdiction or validity of any other district court in Dallas county heretofore created, but this act shall be construed in so far as it may affect the Fourteenth Judicial District of Dallas county to leave each of said courts, including the Fourteenth District Court, with the same jurisdiction now granted them under existing laws, save and except the transfer of Rockwall county to a new judicial district and the changing of the terms in Dallas county for the said Fourteenth Judicial District.

Sec. 6. The district judge of said Fourteenth Judicial District, as formerly constituted, shall continue in office as district judge of the Fourteenth Judicial District, as herein constituted, until the end of the term for which he was elected.

Sec. 7. The Eighty-fourth Judicial District be and the same is hereby created and shall be composed of the counties of Kaufman, Van Zandt and Rockwall; and the terms of the district court shall be held therein each year as follows:

In the county of Van Zandt: Beginning on the first Monday in January of each year and continuing in session six weeks; on the thirteenth Monday after the first Monday in January of each year and continuing in session six weeks, and on the first Monday in September of each year and continuing in session six weeks.

In the county of Kaufman: Begin-



ning on the sixth Monday after the first Monday in January of each year and continuing in session seven weeks; beginning on the twenty-third Monday after the first Monday in January of each year and continuing in session until the last Saturday in August, and beginning on the tenth Monday after the first Monday in September of each year and continuing in session until the last Saturday in December.

In Rockwall county: Beginning on the nineteenth Monday after the first Monday in January of each year and continuing in session four weeks, and beginning on the sixth Monday after the first Monday in September of each year and continuing in session four weeks.

Sec. 8. That all process and writs issued out of the district courts of said counties prior to the taking effect of this act are hereby made returnable to the terms of said courts as said terms are fixed by this act, and all bonds executed and recognizances entered in said courts shall bind the parties for their appearance or to fulfill the obligations of such bonds and recognizances at the terms of said courts as they are fixed by this act, and all process heretofore returned to, as well as all bonds and recognizances heretofore taken in any of said counties' district courts thereof shall be as valid as though no change had been made in the said districts and the times of holding courts therein.

Sec. 9. Should any district court of the Seventh, Fourteenth or Fortieth Judicial District be in session in any of the counties in said district under existing laws when this act takes effect the same shall continue and end its term under such existing laws as if no change in the district had been made, and all process, writs, judgments and decrees shall be valid and shall not be affected by the change in said districts and the times of holding courts therein made by this act.

Sec. 10. That immediately after the passage of this act, the Governor shall appoint a suitable person possessing the qualifications prescribed for district judges in this State as judge of the Eighty-fourth Judicial District, who shall hold his office until the next general election for State and county officers and until his successor shall be elected and qualified, and shall receive such compensation as is now provided by law for district judges. And the county attorney of Van Zandt county shall represent the State in criminal cases in said county and receive the

same fees and compensation as is provided by law for the county attorney of Kaufman county.

Sec. 11. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 12. The crowded condition of the dockets of Ellis, Kaufman, Rockwall, Van Zandt and other counties affected by this act create an emergency and an imperative public necessity demanding that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that this act take effect from and after its passage, and it is so ordered.

(2)

Amend House bill No. 508 by striking out all of the caption and inserting the following:

"H. B. No. 508, A bill to be entitled 'An Act to reorganize the Seventh, Fourteenth and Fortieth Judicial Districts and to create the Eighty-fourth Judicial District of the State of Texas, and providing for the appointment of the district judge for said Eighty-fourth Judicial District, and providing for holding the district courts and the terms thereof in the said Seventh, Fourteenth, Fortieth and Eighty-fourth Judicial District, and providing that all process, recognizances, bail bonds, appeal bonds, and jurors heretofore selected are valid and returnable to first session after this act takes effect and validating all judgments and decrees of the said courts, and providing for the continuation of any district court mentioned to the end of its term and declaring an emergency.'"

Mr. Osborne offered the following amendment to the (committee) amendment (1):

Amend (committee) amendment to House bill No. 508 in caption and bill by striking out the words "Eighty-five" and "Eighty-fifth" wherever they occur and insert in lieu thereof the words "Eighty-sixth," and amend by adding the word "Monday" after the word "thirteenth" in line 24, Section 3, page 4, of printed bill.

The amendment to the (committee) amendment (1) was adopted.

The (committee) amendments as amended were then adopted.

House bill No. 508 was then passed to engrossment.

Mr. Osborne moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 37 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Miller of Austin, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 37, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the use and operation of vehicles upon the public highways and elsewhere; to provide for the licensing, registration and identification of motor vehicles and for the payment of registration therefor; to provide for the licensing of persons operating motor vehicles, etc."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Woods offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Section 21 of said bill by adding thereto the following: "It shall be the duty of each and every person operating or driving a motor or other vehicle on the public highways of this State, which terms shall and do include all roads in cities, towns and villages, to exercise great care and caution in the use thereof, and to especially avoid injury and accident to pedestrians who may be walking upon or across such highways, and if it shall be evident to the person operating or driving such vehicle that a continuation of his course, or of the rate of speed at which he is operating or driving such vehicle, will endanger such pedestrian or make it possible to strike or injure him, he shall immediately take such precautions as may be necessary to avoid such danger, either by decreasing his speed, stopping the vehicle, or otherwise as the conditions demand. And it shall not be sufficient excuse that he gave warning of his approach by using his bell or gong, whistle or otherwise."

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 37 was then passed to engrossment.

Mr. Carlock moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

## BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof, and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled bills:

S. B. No. 235, "An Act to amend Section 23, Chapter 75, General Laws

of Texas, creating Duval and other counties, approved February 1, 1858; and to amend Section 1, Chapter 73, General Laws of Texas, creating Jim Hogg county, approved March 31, 1913, the purpose of this act being to change the boundary line between Duval and Jim Hogg counties, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 308, "An Act creating and incorporating the Post Independent School District, in Garza county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 225, "An Act creating the Georgetown Independent School District in the county of Williamson, State of Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 355, "An Act declaring that all bonds issued under and by virtue of the Federal Farm Loan Act approved by the President of the United States July 17, 1916, shall be lawful investment for all fiduciary and trust funds and may be accepted as security for all public deposits where deposits of bonds or mortgages are authorized by law to be accepted; declaring such bonds lawful investment for all funds which may be lawfully invested by guardians, administrators, trustees and receivers for saving deposits of State banks, for banks, savings banks and trust companies chartered under the laws of Texas, for all insurance companies chartered or transacting business under the laws of Texas where investments are required or permitted, and providing that where such bonds are secured by notes or other obligations the payment of which is secured by mortgage, deed of trust or other valid lien upon real estate situated in this State, then that such bond or bonds shall be regarded for investment purposes by insurance companies as Texas securities, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 322, "An Act creating the Tilden Independent School District in McMullen county, Texas, and defining the boundaries, etc., and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 330, "An Act to create a criminal district court for the counties of Nueces, Kleberg, Willacy and Cameron, and to prescribe the jurisdiction thereof as a criminal court; and also conferring upon said court the power to try and determine divorce suits, to fix time for holding the terms thereof and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 512, "An Act to create the

office of county road supervisor for Mills county, and prescribing the method for his appointment, duties and salary, and declaring an emergency."

# HOUSE BILL NO. 98 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Richards, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 98, A bill to be entitled "An Act prescribing the situs of notes and other monetary obligations, for the purpose of taxation; providing where the same shall be rendered and assessed for taxation; providing that suits shall not be entertained by the courts of this State unless it shall be shown in the pleadings and proof therein that all taxes have been paid as required by this and other laws, accruing between the date of the execution of such obligation and the date of the filing of the suit; repealing laws in direct conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Hawkins offered the following (committee) amendments to the bill:

## (1)

First: Amend by striking out Subsection (B) of Section 1.

## (2)

Amend by striking out Section 2 and substitute the following:

"Sec. 2. After February 2, 1918, no court of this State shall entertain jurisdiction over any suit to foreclose any lien given to secure the payment of any such note or obligation, subject to taxation under the provisions of this act, made and executed after this act shall become effective, unless it shall be affirmatively stated in the petition thereon that the note or obligation upon which suit is brought to foreclose such lien has been rendered and assessed for taxation and that all taxes thereon have been paid according to the provisions of this act, for each and every year between the date of the execution thereof and the date of the filing of the suit for foreclosure. Such allegation shall be affirmatively proved upon the trial of the case."

## (3)

Amend Section 1, page 1, line 36, by adding the following: "Provided that

nothing in this act shall be construed or held as subjecting municipal, county, district, school, road, railroad or any other bonded indebtedness to taxation."

Mr. Spradley moved to postpone further consideration of the bill until 10 o'clock a. m. next Saturday, March 3.

Mr. Sentell moved to table the motion to postpone, and the motion to table was lost.

Question recurring on the motion to postpone, it was lost.

Question then recurring on the (committee) amendments offered by Mr. Hawkins, they were adopted.

Mr. Williams of McLennan offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 98 by striking out the enacting clause.

Pending discussion of the amendment, Mr. Cope and Mr. Bryan occupied the chair temporarily.

Mr. Blalock moved the previous question on the amendment by Mr. Williams of McLennan, and the main question was ordered.

Question then recurring on the amendment, striking out the enacting clause of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—63.

Bagby.	McComb.
Baker.	McMillin.
Beard of Harris.	Martin.
Bell.	Mendell.
Blackburn.	Metcalfe.
Blackmon.	Miller of Austin.
Boner.	Miller of Dallas.
Brown.	Morris.
Bryan.	Murrell.
Canales.	O'Brien.
Carlock.	Parks.
Cope.	Pillow.
Crudgington.	Poage.
Dudley.	Pope.
Estes.	Roemer.
Florer.	Sallas.
Fly.	Schlesinger.
Greenwood.	Scholl.
Hardey.	Seawright.
Harris.	Smith of Scurry.
Hartman.	Spencer of Nolan.
Hill.	Thomason
Holland.	of El Paso.
Hudspeth.	Thompson
Jones.	of Red River.
Laas.	Upchurch.
Lacey.	Veatch.
Lange.	Walker.
Lanier.	White.
Lindemann.	Williams
Low	of Brazoria.
of Washington.	

Williams  
of McLennan.  
Williford.

Woods.  
Woodul.

Nays—56.

Beard of Milam. Neill.  
Beasley. Nichols.  
Beason. Nordhaus.  
Bedell. O'Banion.  
Bertram. Osborne.  
Blalock. Peddy.  
Bland. Peyton.  
Bryant. Raiden.  
Burton of Rusk. Reeves.  
Burton of Tarrant. Rogers.  
Butler. Russell.  
Cadenhead. Sentell.  
Clark. Sholars.  
Cox. Smith of Bastrop.  
Davis of Dallas. Smith of Hopkins.  
Davis of Grimes. Spencer of Wise.  
Davis. Spradley.  
of Van Zandt. Stewart.  
Dodd. Swope.  
Fairchild. Templeton.  
Fisher. Terrell.  
Haidusek. Thomason  
Hawkins. of Nacogdoches.  
Johnson. Thompson  
Lee. of Hunt.  
McCoy. Tilson.  
McDowra. Valentine.  
McFarland. Wilson.  
Meador. Yantis.  
Neeley.

Present—Not Voting.

Sackett. Tschoepe.  
Taylor.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Robertson.  
Denton. Schlosshan.  
Lowe. Tillotson.  
of McMullen. Tinner.  
Moore. Trayler.  
Richards.

Absent—Excused.

Cates. Monday.  
De Bogory. Strayhorn.  
Dunnam. Thomas.  
Fitzpatrick. Wahrmond.  
Laney.

Mr. Dudley moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was adopted, and to table the motion to reconsider.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—66.

Bagby. Bell.  
Baker. Blackburn.  
Beard of Harris. Blackmon.  
Beason. Boner.

Brown. Morris.  
Bryan. Murrell.  
Canales. Nordhaus.  
Carlock. O'Brien.  
Cope. Peyton.  
Crudgington. Poage.  
Dudley. Roemer.  
Estes. Sallas.  
Florer. Schlesinger.  
Fly. Scholl.  
Greenwood. Seawright.  
Hardey. Smith of Scurry.  
Harris. Spencer of Nolan.  
Hartman. Swope.  
Hill. Taylor.  
Holland. Thomason  
Hudspeth. of El Paso.  
Jones. Tschoepe.  
Laas. Upchurch.  
Lacey. Valentine.  
Lange. Veatch.  
Lanier. Walker.  
Lindemann. White.  
Low. Williams  
of Washington. of Brazoria.  
McComb. Williams  
McMillin. of McLennan.  
Martin. Williford.  
Metcalf. Wilson.  
Miller of Austin. Woods.  
Miller of Dallas. Woodul.

Nays—51.

Beard of Milam. Neeley.  
Beasley. Neill.  
Bedell. Nichols.  
Bertram. O'Banion.  
Blalock. Osborne.  
Bland. Parks.  
Bryant. Peddy.  
Burton of Rusk. Pillow.  
Butler. Pope.  
Cadenhead. Raiden.  
Clark. Reeves.  
Davis of Dallas. Russell.  
Davis of Grimes. Sackett.  
Davis. Sentell.  
of Van Zandt. Sholars.  
Dodd. Smith of Bastrop.  
Fairchild. Smith of Hopkins.  
Fisher. Spradley.  
Haidusek. Stewart.  
Hawkins. Templeton.  
Johnson. Terrell.  
Lee. Thomason  
McCoy. of Nacogdoches.  
McDowra. Thompson  
McFarland. of Hunt.  
Meador. Tilson.  
Mendell. Yantis.

Absent.

Bledsoe. Denton.  
Burton of Tarrant. Lowe  
Cox. of McMullen.



Moore.	Thompson
Richards.	of Red River.
Robertson.	Tillotson.
Rogers.	Trayler.
Spencer of Wise.	

Absent—Excused.

Cates.	Schlosshan.
De Bogory.	Strayhorn.
Dunnam.	Thomas.
Fitzpatrick.	Tinner.
Laney.	Wahrmund.
Monday.	

RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Canales, the House, at 12:25 o'clock p. m., took recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 502 ON THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Lange, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 502, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 421 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas; to further define 'barratry' so as to include the fomenting of litigation for profit and by persons in addition to attorneys at law by soliciting employment or advancing money or other things of value to the parties to litigation in order to procure employment."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read third time and was passed.

Mr. Lange moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 115 ON THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Cadenhead, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 115, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 5 of an act entitled 'An Act to create a State bonded warehouse system, and to afford

a method of co-operative marketing for those engaged in the production of farm and ranch products and for the purpose of effectuating this end and creating a Board of Supervisors of Warehouses; defining the authority of said board and giving it power of visitation over the corporations chartered under the act,' etc., and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read third time and was passed.

Mr. Terrell moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 733 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Spradley, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 733, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the purpose of encouraging and improving the breeding and developing of highly bred live stock and in furtherance of such purposes of encouraging and concerning the holding of fairs for the exhibition thereof, and of agricultural, mineral and mechanical products, and for the appointment of a commission for the regulation of speed contests and speculation thereon and to provide for the payment of certain revenue derived therefrom towards the establishment of a breeding bureau and the operation thereof, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Baker of Hood offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 733 by striking out the enacting clause.

Mr. Sentell moved the previous question on the amendment, and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the amendment striking out the enacting clause of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—50.

Baker.	Burton of Rusk.
Beard of Milam.	Butler.
Bedell.	Cadenhead.
Bertram.	Carlock.
Blalock.	Cope.
Boner.	Davis of Dallas.
Bryan.	

Davis of Van Zandt.	Russell.
Dodd.	Sentell.
Estes.	Seawright.
Fly.	Smith of Hopkins.
Hawkins.	Spencer of Wise.
Johnson.	Stewart.
Lacey.	Templeton.
Lanier.	Terrell.
McDowra.	Thomason
Meador.	of El Paso.
Metcalfe.	Thomason
Moore.	of Nacogdoches.
Murrell.	Thompson
Neill.	of Hunt.
O'Banion.	Traylor.
O'Brien.	Veatch.
Peyton.	Williford.
Raiden.	Wilson.
Reeves.	Woods.
Rogers.	Yantis.

## Nays—58.

Bagby.	Martin.
Beard of Harris.	Mendell.
Beason.	Miller of Austin.
Bell.	Miller of Dallas.
Bland.	Morris.
Bledsoe.	Neeley.
Brown.	Nordhaus.
Bryant.	Parks.
Burton of Tarrant.	Pillow.
Canales.	Poage.
Clark.	Pope.
Cox.	Roemer.
Davis of Grimes.	Sackett.
Dudley.	Sallas.
Fairchild.	Schlesinger.
Fisher.	Scholl.
Greenwood.	Sholars.
Haidusek.	Spencer of Nolan.
Hardey.	Spradley.
Harris.	Swope.
Hill.	Thompson
Holland.	of Red River.
Hudspeth.	Tilson.
Laas.	Tschoepe.
Lange.	Valentine.
Lee.	Walker.
Lindemann.	White.
Low	Williams
of Washington.	of McLennan.
McFarland.	Woodul.
McMillin.	

## Present—Not Voting.

Robertson.

## Absent.

Beasley.	McCoy.
Blackburn.	Osborne.
Blackmon.	Richards.
Denton.	Tillotson.
Florer.	Williams
Jones.	of Brazoria.
McComb.	

## Absent—Excused.

De Bogory.	Schlosshan.
Dunnam.	Thomas.
Laney.	Tinner.

## Paired.

Mr. Nichols (present), who would vote "yea," with Mr. Strayhorn (absent), who would vote "nay."

Mr. Peddy (present), who would vote "yea," with Mr. Lowe of McMullen (absent), who would vote "nay."

Mr. Smith of Bastrop (present), who would vote "yea," with Mr. Cates (absent), who would vote "nay."

Mr. Smith of Scurry (present), who would vote "yea," with Mr. Hartman (absent), who would vote "nay."

Mr. Taylor (present), who would vote "yea," with Mr. Monday (absent), who would vote "nay."

Mr. Crudgington (present), who would vote "yea," with Mr. Wahrmond (absent), who would vote "nay."

Mr. Upchurch (present), who would vote "yea," with Mr. Fitzpatrick (absent), who would vote "nay."

(Mr. Blalock in the chair.)

Mr. O'Banion moved the previous question on the engrossment of the bill, and the main question was ordered.

Question then recurring on the engrossment of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

(Speaker in the chair.)

The House refused to pass the bill to engrossment by the following vote:

## Yeas—54.

Bagby.	Laas.
Beard of Harris.	Lange.
Bell.	Lindemann.
Bland.	Low
Brown.	of Washington.
Bryant.	McFarland.
Burton of Tarrant.	Martin.
Canales.	Mendell.
Clark.	Miller of Austin.
Cox.	Miller of Dallas.
Davis of Grimes.	Morris.
Dudley.	Neeley.
Fairchild.	Nordhaus.
Fisher.	Parks.
Greenwood.	Pillow.
Haidusek.	Poage.
Hardey.	Pope.
Harris.	Sackett.
Hartman.	Sallas.
Hill.	Schlesinger.
Holland.	Scholl.
Hudspeth.	Sholars.

Spencer of Nolan.	Walker.
Spradley.	White.
Swope.	Williams
Thompson	of Brazoria.
of Red River.	Williams
Tschoepe.	of McLennan.
Valentine.	Woodul.

## Nays—58.

Baker.	Murrell.
Beard of Milam.	Neill.
Beasley.	O'Banion.
Beason.	O'Brien.
Bedell.	Peyton.
Bertram.	Raiden.
Blackmon.	Reeves.
Blalock.	Robertson.
Bledsoe.	Roemer.
Boner.	Rogers.
Bryan.	Russell.
Burton of Rusk.	Sentell.
Butler.	Seawright.
Cadenhead.	Smith of Hopkins.
Carlock.	Smith of Scurry.
Cope.	Spencer of Wise.
Davis of Dallas.	Stewart.
Davis	Terrell.
of Van Zandt.	Thomason
Dodd.	of El Paso.
Estes.	Thomason
Fly.	of Nacogdoches.
Hawkins.	Thompson
Johnson.	of Hunt.
Lacey.	Tilson.
Lanier.	Trayler.
Lee.	Veatch.
McComb.	Williford.
McDowra.	Wilson.
Meador.	Woods.
Metcalfe.	Yantis.

## Present—Not Voting.

McMillin.

Absent.

Blackburn.	Moore.
Denton.	Osborne.
Florer.	Richards.
Jones.	Templeton.
McCoy.	Tillotson.

## Absent—Excused.

De Bogory.	Schlosshan.
Dunnam.	Thomas.
Laney.	Tinner.

## Paired.

Mr. Nichols (present), who would vote "nay," with Mr. Strayhorn (absent), who would vote "yea."

Mr. Peddy (present), who would vote "nay," with Mr. Lowe of McMullen (absent), who would vote "yea."

Mr. Smith of Bastrop (present), who

would vote "nay," with Mr. Cates (absent), who would vote "yea."

Mr. Taylor (present); who would vote "nay," with Mr. Monday (absent), who would vote "yea."

Mr. Upchurch. (present), who would vote "nay," with Mr. Fitzpatrick (absent), who would vote "yea."

Mr. Crudgington. (present), who would vote "nay," with Mr. Wahrungmund (absent), who would vote "yea."

## Verification of Vote.

Mr. Spradley called for a verification of the vote.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll of those recorded as voting "yea."

The roll of "yeas" was called and found correct, as first announced.

The Clerk was then directed to call the roll of those recorded as voting "nay."

The roll of "nays" was called and found correct as first announced.

The verified vote stood, as first announced, yeas 54, nays 58.

Mr. Bryan moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass the bill to engrossment, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 249 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Fairchild, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 249, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 1903 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, so as to render a certified plea of privilege prima facie proof of the right of the defendants to change of venue, and providing for procedure thereon."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

Mr. Fairchild moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 258 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Murrell, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have

placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 258, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the lavish or corrupt use of money in primary elections; providing for what purposes money may be used in primary elections; providing that every candidate shall include in his expense account an averment that he has not violated the provisions of this act, provided no person shall directly or indirectly use money or other things of value to promote or defeat the nomination of any candidate or candidates, providing that any candidate violating this act shall not be allowed to have his name on the official ballot at the general election, as the official nominee of his party, and providing that violations of this act shall be a felony, and providing for the punishment in cases of conviction under this act."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Murrell offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend the bill, Section 2, by adding Subdivision "F," as follows: "Newspaper announcement and advertising fees by candidates for State offices not exceeding \$500; and by candidates for district offices not exceeding \$250; by candidates for county offices not exceeding \$100; by candidates for precinct offices not exceeding \$50."

The (committee) amendment was adopted.

Mr. Murrell offered the following amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend the bill by striking out Section 8, page 2, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "There now being no law to prohibit the lavish expenditure of campaign funds creates an imperative public necessity requiring that the rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and the same is hereby suspended, and this act shall take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted."

(2)

Amend the caption of House bill No. 258 by adding after the word "act," in line 19 the words "and declaring an emergency."

The amendments were severally adopted.

Mr. Moore offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 258, Section 2, page 2, by adding Section g, as follows: "the printing of campaign circulars and statements for circulation."

(Mr. Blalock in the chair.)

Mr. Robertson offered the following substitute for the amendment:

Substitute for amendment sent up by the gentleman from Anderson:

Amend House bill No. 258 by adding to Section 2 subdivision (g) as follows:

"(g) Printed or other circulars or letters and campaign cards. Expense of placing name on official election ticket and of reasonable cost or contributions to expenses of barbecues, public speakings and picnics."

The substitute was adopted.

Question recurring on the amendment as substituted, it was lost.

Mr. Fly offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 258 by adding after the word "opponents," in line 24, page 1, the word "provided."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Greenwood offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 258, Section 1, by adding subsection (f), following subsection (e), as follows: "Contributions to moochers and for drinks."

On motion of Mr. Murrell, the amendment was tabled.

Mr. Thompson of Hunt offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

Section 1. All persons who seek the nomination of any political party authorized to nominate candidates for office under the laws of this State, for the office of United States Senator, Representative in Congress, Governor, and all other State, district, county and precinct offices, of whatsoever character, are hereby declared subject to the provisions of this act, and such candidates, in making their announcements for office, and in arranging and conducting their campaigns, shall conform to all the requirements herein prescribed as conditions upon which the names of such candidates may be printed upon their party nominating ballots.

Sec. 2. Any candidate for any office herein mentioned for which nominations are authorized under the provisions of our laws, may select a personal campaign committee to consist of one or more persons, to which may be given the general oversight and management of his campaign for the nomination such candidate may desire to seek in said



primary, but, before any personal campaign committee shall make any disbursements in behalf of any candidate, or shall incur any obligation, express or implied, to make any disbursement in his behalf, it shall file with the Secretary of State, if the nomination sought is one to be made by all the voters of such party throughout the State, and with the county judge of the candidate's residence, if the nomination sought is that for a district or county office, a written statement, signed by such candidate, setting forth that such personal campaign committee has been appointed and giving the name and address of each member thereof, and the name and address of the secretary thereof, if such. If such campaign committee consists of only one person, such person shall be deemed the secretary thereof. Any candidate for any nomination may revoke the selection of any member of such personal campaign committee by an instrument in writing, which, with proof of personal service on the member whose selection is so revoked, shall be filed with the officer with whom the appointment was filed. Such candidate may fill the vacancy thus created in the manner in which an original appointment is made. The acts of every member of such personal campaign committee will be presumed to be with the knowledge and approval of the candidate until it has been clearly proved that the candidate did not have knowledge of and approved the same, and that in the exercise of reasonable care and diligence he could not have had knowledge of, or any opportunity to disapprove the same.

Sec. 3. No person or group of persons, other than a candidate or his personal campaign committee, or a party committee, shall in any campaign for the nomination for any office by the voters of his party in any primary election, make any disbursement for political purposes otherwise than through a personal campaign committee or a party committee, except that expenses incurred for rent of hall or other room for public speaking, for printing, for postage, for advertising, for distributing printed matter, for clerical assistance and for hotel and traveling expenses solely in connection with a public speaking engagement, may be contributed and paid by a person or group of persons residing within the county where such expenses are incurred, but not otherwise.

Sec. 4. No candidate for the nomination for any office authorized to be

made under the provisions of our laws, shall make any disbursements for political purposes except:

(1) For his personal hotel and traveling expenses and for postage, telegraph and telephone expenses.

(2) For payments which he may make to the State pursuant to law.

(3) For contributions to his duly registered campaign committee.

(4) For contributions to his party committee.

(5) For other purposes enumerated by law when such candidate has no personal campaign committee, but not otherwise.

(6) After the primary election wherein a candidate has been nominated, such candidate shall make no disbursement in behalf of his candidacy, except contributions to his party committee, for his own actual necessary personal traveling expenses, and for postage, telegraph and telephone expenses.

Sec. 5. No party committee nor personal campaign committee shall make any disbursements except:

(1) For maintenance of headquarters and for hall rentals, incident to the holding of public meetings.

(2) For necessary stationery, postage and clerical assistance to be employed for the candidate at his headquarters or at the headquarters of the personal campaign committee, or party committee incident to the writing, addressing and mailing of letters and campaign literature.

(3) For necessary expenses incident to the furnishing and printing of badges, banners and other insignia, to the printing and posting of hand bills, posters, lithographs and other campaign literature and the distribution thereof through the mails or otherwise.

(4) For campaign advertising in newspapers, periodicals or magazines, as provided by law.

(5) For actual and necessary personal expenses of public speaking.

(6) For traveling expenses of members of party committees or personal campaign committees. Nothing herein shall be construed as authorizing the employment on a salary or any other reward, any campaign manager, booster or political organizer.

Sec. 6. Every person who shall have any bill, charge or claim upon or against any personal campaign committee, and party committee or any candidate for any disbursement made, services rendered, or thing of value furnished, for political purposes or incurred in any

manner in relation to any primary election held pursuant to our laws, shall render in writing to such committee or candidate, such bill, charge or claim within ten days after the date of such primary showing the nature of such bill, charge or claim, and the time and manner the same was incurred. No candidate and no personal campaign committee shall pay any charge or claim so incurred prior to any primary election which is not so presented within ten days after such primary election.

Sec. 7. Every candidate seeking the nomination for any office under the provisions of our laws, and every secretary or manager of any personal campaign committee shall on the second Saturday following the first disbursement in the interest of such candidacy, or incurred the first financial obligation therefor, express or implied, and thereafter on the second Saturday of each calendar month, until all disbursements shall have been accounted for, and also on the Saturday preceding any primary election, file a financial statement, verified upon the oath of such candidate, or upon the oath of the secretary of such committee, as the case may be, which statement shall cover all transactions not accounted for and reported upon in statements theretofore filed. Each statement after the first shall contain a summary of all preceding statements, and summarize all items theretofore reported under the provisions of each subdivision of this act in a separate total, and shall state the sum and total of all disbursements up to date of the report. On or before the second Saturday after the election, a full statement shall be filed by each candidate in such primary election, and the secretary of every personal campaign committee, which statement shall include all former statements, and be as full and complete as that required for the statements required to be made on the last Saturday before the primary election under the provisions of this act; provided, that in the case of all county and precinct candidates seeking nominations under the provisions of our laws, the county executive committee of such party, within its discretion, may waive the filing of all reports required by this section of this act, except the final report of such candidates, as herein prescribed.

Sec. 8. The statements required by the last preceding section of this act, in the case of all candidates for United States Senator, Congressman at large, Governor and for all other State offices

shall be filed with the county clerk of the county where such candidate resides, and a copy thereof shall be filed with the Secretary of State; in the case of all district, county and precinct offices, the candidates therefor shall file such statements with the county clerk of their respective counties.

Sec. 9. Each statement required by this act shall be itemized, and shall give in full detail:

(1) Every sum of money and all property, and every other thing of value received by such candidate or committee during such period from any source whatsoever which he uses or has used, or is at liberty to use for political purposes, together with the name of every person from which same was received, the specific purposes for which it was received, together with the total amount received from all sources in any amounts or manner whatsoever.

(2) Every promise or pledge of money, property or other thing of value received by such candidate or committee during such period, the proceeds of which he uses or has used or is at liberty to use for political purposes, together with the names of the persons by whom each was promised or pledged, and the date when each was so promised or pledged, together with the total amounts promised or pledged from all sources in any amount or manner whatsoever.

(3) Every disbursement made by such candidate or committee for political purposes during such period, together with the name of every person to whom the disbursement is made, the specific purpose for which each was made, and the date when each was made, together with the total amount of disbursements made in any amounts or manner whatsoever.

(4) Every obligation, express or implied, to make any disbursement incurred by such candidate or committee for political purposes during such period, together with the names of the person or persons to or with whom each such obligation has been incurred, the specific purpose for which each was made, and the date when each was incurred, together with the total amount of such obligations made in any amounts or manner whatsoever.

Sec. 10. Each and every person who shall receive any payment directly or indirectly, for political purposes in a

campaign before a primary election, from any candidate or from his political manager or personal campaign committee, whether as salary or as expenses, shall within thirty days after such payment has been made, or such payment has been promised, make a sworn statement showing in detail said payment or promised payment, by whom made, and what consideration or services were rendered for the same. Any person who comes within the provisions of this section and fails to make the statements herein prescribed shall, upon conviction, be confined in the county jail for not less than ten nor more than thirty days.

Sec. 11. Blanks for all statements required in carrying out the provisions of this act in the matter of reports to be made by candidates and their campaign committees shall be prepared by the State executive committee of each political party making nominations through primary elections, and copies thereof, together with a copy of the sections of this act prescribing the time and the manner of making such report, shall be furnished by the chairman of such executive committee to the secretary of every personal campaign committee, and to every candidate required by this act to make out and file such reports, and to all other persons required by law to file such statement who may apply therefor.

Sec. 12. The name of no candidate for any office for which nominations are made under the provisions of our laws shall be printed on the official ballot to be voted in the ensuing general election, unless there has been filed by or on behalf of said candidate and by his personal campaign committee, if any, the statements of accounts and expenses relating to the nominations of candidates for office under the provisions of this act; provided, that in all cases wherein county executive committees have waived such requirements on the part of county and precinct candidates for office, to such extent, and to such extent only, the requirements herein set forth shall not apply.

Sec. 13. Every person other than a candidate or a personal campaign committee, who shall within any twelve months before or after any primary election, make any disbursements for any political purposes relating to the nomination of any candidate to be voted for, or that has been voted for therein, ex-

ceeding in the aggregate twenty-five dollars (\$25) in amount and value, shall file within forty-eight hours after making any such disbursements, causing the aggregate of such disbursements to reach such amount, a sworn statement thereof with the clerk of the county wherein he resides. Such statement shall give in full detail, with date, every item of money, property, or other thing of value constituting any part of such disbursement, the exact means by which, and the manner in which each such disbursement is made; the name and address of every person to whom each was made, and the specific purpose for which each was made.

Sec. 14. No disbursement shall be made, and no obligation, express or implied, to make such disbursement or payment, shall be incurred by or on behalf of any candidate for the nomination for any office under the provisions of our laws, which disbursements made and promised shall be in the aggregate in excess of the sums herein specified in case of the respective candidates named as follows:

Candidate for United States Senator, Congressman-at-large and Governor, the sum of \$5000 preceding the date of the general primary election, and \$1000 additional when a contest in the second primary election is necessary.

Candidates for all other State offices and district Congressmen, \$2500 preceding date of general primary election, and \$500 additional in case of contest in the second primary election.

All other candidates for district offices of whatsoever character, the sum of \$1750 preceding the date of the general primary election, and \$250 additional when a contest in the second primary election shall be necessary.

All candidates for county offices, the sum of \$750 preceding the general election, and \$250 additional when a contest in the second primary shall be necessary.

All precinct candidates, the sum of \$350 preceding the general primary election, and \$150 additional when a contest in the second primary election shall be necessary. Provided, that the expenditures allowed in Section 3 of this act shall not be included in estimating the sums herein prescribed as the limits of the expenses of the respective candidates named which may be incurred in such primary elections.

Sec. 15. Any candidate for the nom-

ination for any office provided for in our laws may delegate to his personal campaign committee by a writing duly subscribed by him, the expenditure of any portion of the total disbursements which are authorized to be incurred by him or on his behalf, but the total of all disbursements by himself and by his personal campaign committee in his behalf, shall not exceed in the aggregate the respective amounts specified in the last preceding section of this act; provided, that the expenditures allowed in Section 3 of this act shall not be included in estimating such total amount.

Sec. 16. Any candidate for the nomination for any office provided for in our laws who shall fail to do and perform any of the things or acts required of him as prescribed herein relating to the disbursement or collection of money or anything of value for political purposes, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be confined in the county jail for not less than thirty nor more than one hundred days, and, in addition thereto, may be fined not less than two hundred nor more than five hundred dollars, nor shall he be entitled to hold the office for which he may have been nominated, and any person who has been so convicted shall not have his name placed upon the official ballot of his party to be voted in any general election.

Sec. 17. No person shall receive or accept any money, property or other thing of value, or any promise or pledge thereof, constituting a disbursement made for political purposes contrary to law.

Sec. 18. In any prosecution for the violation of the provision set out in the last preceding section of this act, it shall be a defense, if the accused person shall prove that he had neither knowledge that such disbursements constituted a disbursement made for political purposes contrary to law, nor any reasonable cause to believe that it constituted such disbursement.

Sec. 19. No candidate for any nomination subject to the provisions of this act shall make any disbursements for political purposes except under his personal direction, which for every purpose shall be considered the act of such candidate, through a party committee, or through a personal commit-

tee, whose authority to act shall have been filed as provided by this act.

Sec. 20. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with any of the provisions of this act are hereby repealed; provided, that each and every provision of the laws of this State which has for its object the prevention of the illegal or corrupt use of money or other valuable thing in any election in this State, whether general or primary election, shall by this act be recognized as being of equal validity and binding force as if herein re-enacted.

Sec. 21. The fact that there is now no adequate law providing for reports of candidates as to their campaign expenses and limiting the amount of the same, and the further fact of the limited duration of this session of the Legislature during which this may be considered and enacted, create an emergency and imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house shall be and the same is hereby suspended, that this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Thompson of Hunt offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend the caption to read as follows:

"A bill to be entitled 'An Act providing that all candidates for nominations in primary elections shall have their campaign expenses limited; providing for reports from all candidates as to selection of their campaign committees; prescribing the persons who may make disbursements for such candidates, and defining the purposes for which disbursements may be made; providing for reports of all receipts, disbursements and financial obligations made in the interest of such campaigns by candidates and their campaign committees, and to whom such reports are to be made; and prescribing the nature of the same; providing that the name of no candidate shall be printed upon the official ballot who fails to make such reports; specifying sums candidates and their campaign committees may expend in their campaigns for nomination to office; defining violations of this act, and prescribing penalties therefor; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency.'"

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Peyton offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend the bill by striking out the enacting clause.



Mr. Raiden moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table was lost by the following vote:

## Yeas—54.

Baker.	Reeves.
Beard of Milam.	Robertson.
Beasley.	Rogers.
Bell.	Russell.
Bertram.	Sackett.
Blackburn.	Sentell.
Blackmon.	Seawright.
Blalock.	Smith of Bastrop.
Boner.	Smith of Hopkins.
Bryan.	Smith of Scurry.
Cadenhead.	Spencer of Wise.
Clark.	Spradley.
Cope.	Stewart.
Crudgington.	Terrell.
Davis of Dallas.	Thomason
Davis	of El Paso.
of Van Zandt.	Thomason
Dodd.	of Nacogdoches.
Estes.	Thompson
Fly.	of Hunt.
McCoy.	Thompson
McDowra.	of Red River.
McMillin.	Traylor.
Meador.	Veatch.
Moore.	Williford.
Murrell.	Wilson.
O'Banion.	Woods.
Osborne.	Woodul.
Peddy.	Yantis.
Raiden.	

## Nays—64.

Bagby.	Lee.
Beard of Harris.	Lindemann.
Bedell.	Low
Bland.	of Washington.
Brown.	McFarland.
Burton of Rusk.	Martin.
Burton of Tarrant.	Mendell.
Canales.	Metcalfe.
Carlock.	Miller of Austin.
Cox.	Morris.
Davis of Grimes.	Neeley.
Dudley.	Neill.
Fairchild.	Nichols.
Fisher.	Nordhaus.
Greenwood.	O'Brien.
Haidusek.	Parks.
Hardey.	Peyton.
Harris.	Pillow.
Hartman.	Poage.
Hawkins.	Pope.
Hill.	Roemer.
Holland.	Sallas.
Johnson.	Schlesinger.
Jones.	Scholl.
Laas.	Sholars.
Lacey.	Spencer of Nolan.
Lange.	Swope.
Lanier.	Taylor.

Templeton.	White.
Tilson.	Williams
Tschoepe.	of Brazoria.
Upchurch.	Williams
Valentine.	of McLennan.
Walker.	

## Present—Not Voting.

Beason.	McComb.
	Absent.
Bledsoe.	Lowe
Bryant.	of McMullen.
Butler.	Miller of Dallas.
Denton.	Richards.
Florer.	Tillotson.
Hudspeth.	

## Absent—Excused.

Cates.	Schlosshan.
De Bogory.	Strayhorn.
Dunnam.	Thomas.
Fitzpatrick.	Tinner.
Laney.	Wahrmund.
Monday.	

Mr. Williams of Brazoria moved the previous question on the amendment and the engrossment of the bill, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the amendment, striking out the enacting clause of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

## Yeas—55.

Bagby.	Morris.
Beard of Harris.	Neeley.
Bell.	Neill.
Brown.	Nordhaus.
Burton of Tarrant.	O'Brien.
Carlock.	Parks.
Cox.	Peyton.
Davis of Grimes.	Poage.
Dudley.	Pope.
Estes.	Roemer.
Fairchild.	Sallas.
Fisher.	Schlesinger.
Greenwood.	Scholl.
Haidusek.	Sholars.
Hardey.	Spradley.
Harris.	Swope.
Hartman.	Taylor.
Hudspeth.	Templeton.
Lacey.	Tschoepe.
Lange.	Upchurch.
Lanier.	Valentine.
Lee.	Walker.
Lindemann.	White.
Low	Williams
of Washington.	of Brazoria.
Martin.	Williams
Mendell.	of McLennan.
Metcalfe.	Wilson.
Miller of Austin.	Woodul.

## Nays—64.

Baker.	Murrell.
Beard of Milam.	Nichols.
Beasley.	O'Banion.
Beason.	Osborne.
Bedell.	Peddy.
Bertram.	Pillow.
Blackburn.	Raiden.
Blackmon.	Reeves.
Bialock.	Robertson.
Boner.	Rogers.
Bryan.	Russell.
Burton of Rusk.	Sackett.
Butler.	Sentell.
Cadenhead.	Seawright.
Clark.	Smith of Bastrop.
Cope.	Smith of Hopkins.
Crudgington.	Smith of Scurry.
Davis of Dallas.	Spencer of Wise.
Davis	Stewart.
of Van Zandt.	Terrell.
Dodd.	Thomason
Florer.	of El Paso.
Fly.	Thomason
Hawkins.	of Nacogdoches.
Holland.	Thompson
Jones.	of Hunt.
Laas.	Thompson
McComb.	of Red River.
McCoy.	Tilson.
McDowra.	Traylor.
McFarland.	Veatch.
McMillin.	Williford.
Meador.	Woods.
Miller of Dallas.	Yantis.
Moore.	

## Absent.

Bland.	Johnson.
Bledsoe.	Lowe
Bryant.	of McMullen.
Canales.	Spencer of Nolan.
Denton.	Tillotson.
Hill.	

## Absent—Excused.

Cates.	Richards.
De Bogory.	Schlosshan.
Dunnam.	Strayhorn.
Fitzpatrick.	Thomas.
Laney.	Tinner.
Monday.	Wahrmund.

Question next recurring on the engrossment of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

House bill No. 258 was passed to engrossment by the following vote:

## Yeas—59.

Baker.	Blackmon.
Beard of Milam.	Bialock.
Beasley.	Boner.
Bedell.	Bryan.
Bertram.	Burton of Rusk.
Blackburn.	Butler.

Cadenhead.	Robertson.
Clark.	Rogers.
Cope.	Russell.
Crudgington.	Sackett.
Davis of Dallas.	Sentell.
Davis	Seawright.
of Van Zandt.	Smith of Bastrop.
Dodd.	Smith of Hopkins.
Fly.	Smith of Scurry.
Hill.	Spencer of Nolan.
Laas.	Spencer of Wise.
McComb.	Stewart.
McCoy.	Terrell.
McDowra.	Thomason
McMillin.	of Nacogdoches.
Meador.	Thompson
Miller of Dallas.	of Hunt.
Moore.	Thompson
Murrell.	of Red River.
Nichols.	Tilson.
O'Banion.	Traylor.
Osborne.	Veatch.
Peddy.	Williford.
Pillow.	Woods.
Raiden.	Yantis.
Reeves.	

## Nays—58.

Beard of Harris.	Metcalf.
Beason.	Miller of Austin.
Bell.	Morris.
Brown.	Neeley.
Burton of Tarrant.	Neill.
Carlock.	Nordhaus.
Cates.	O'Brien.
Cox.	Parks.
Davis of Grimes.	Peyton.
Dudley.	Poage.
Estes.	Pope.
Fairchild.	Roemer.
Fisher.	Sallas.
Greenwood.	Schlesinger.
Haidusek.	Scholl.
Hardey.	Sholars.
Harris.	Spradley.
Hartman.	Taylor.
Hawkins.	Templeton.
Holland.	Tschoepe.
Hudspeth.	Upchurch.
Jones.	Valentine.
Lacey.	Walker.
Lange.	White.
Lanier.	Williams
Lee.	of Brazoria.
Lindemann.	Williams
Low	of McLennan.
of Washington.	Wilson.
Martin.	Woodul.
Mendell.	

## Present—Not Voting.

McFarland.
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## Absent.

Bagby.	Bryant.
Bland.	Canales.
Bledsoe.	Denton.

Florer.	Swope.
Johnson.	Thomason
Lowe	of El Paso.
of McMullen.	Tillotson.
Richards.	
Absent—Excused.	

De Bogory.	Schlosshan.
Dunnam.	Strayhorn.
Fitzpatrick.	Thomas.
Laney.	Tinner.
Monday.	Wahrmund.

Mr. Thompson of Hunt moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.  
(Speaker in the chair.)

#### LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

Mr. Nordhaus, Mr. Smith of Hopkins, and Mr. Thomas were granted leaves of absence for last Friday and Saturday, on account of important committee work, on motion of Mr. Mendell.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following bills:

S. B. No. 202, A bill to be entitled "An Act to change the name of Wilacy county to Milfin Kennedy county, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 361, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the erection of a monument to Lawrence Sullivan Ross on the campus of the Agricultural and Mechanical College; to make an appropriation therefor and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 223, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the purchase and lease of real property by county school trustees of all common school districts and of those independent school districts having less than 150 scholastics, and by the trustees of all independent school districts having 150 scholastics or more in the State of Texas, by condemnation proceedings, for the purpose of furnishing play grounds and sites upon which to build school houses and for agricultural purposes to be used in connection with said schools."

S. B. No. 187, A bill to be entitled "An Act prescribing the number and character of lamps to be carried by automobiles, motor vehicles and motorcycles, during certain hours and to prohibit the use of glaring and dazzling headlights upon automobiles, motor vehicles and motorcycles in use upon the public highways of this State, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 14, A bill to be entitled "An Act to exempt from taxation all public securities issued after this act takes effect."

S. B. No. 166, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the city council, board of commissioners or city manager of any city in this State to levy and collect a tax not to exceed five cents on each one hundred dollars assessed valuation of the city for one year for the purchase and improvement of lands for city parks, and providing the manner of acquiring lands for park purposes, and providing for the management and control of said city parks, and declaring an emergency."

The Senate has adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 13, providing for the appointment of committees of the Senate and House to relieve the conflicts now existing in the conduct of the various State institutions.

The Senate adopts the Free Conference Committee report on Senate bill No. 37.

Respectfully,

G. H. BOYNTON,  
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 35 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Miller of Dallas, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 35, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish and create a Criminal Judicial District of Dallas county, Texas, and to fix the territorial limits of said Criminal Judicial District, and to designate the Criminal District Courts that have jurisdiction in said Criminal Judicial District of Dallas county; to provide for the election, qualification, powers and compensation and expense of office of the criminal district attorney for said district; to provide for the appointment of assistants to the criminal district attorney, and to provide for their powers, duties and method of payment; and to provide for the present county attorney of

Dallas county to assume the duties of and conduct the business of the criminal district attorney of Dallas county until his successor shall be elected and qualified, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Miller of Dallas offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 35 by striking out Section 5 of said bill and substituting the following:

"Section 5. The criminal district attorney shall retain out of the fees earned and collected by him the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars per annum and in addition thereto one-fourth of the gross excess of all such fees in excess of three thousand five hundred dollars per annum to an amount not in excess of two thousand dollars. The three-fourths remaining to be applied first to the payment of the salaries of the assistant district attorneys and extra assistant district attorneys and stenographer as hereinafter provided for. The remainder to be paid into the treasury of Dallas county; provided, that in arriving at the amount collected by him he shall include the fees arising from all classes of criminal cases whether felony or misdemeanor arising in any of the courts in Dallas county now existing, or which may hereafter be created, including habeas corpus hearing and fines and forfeitures; provided, that after the 30th day of November and before the 1st day of January following of each year, he shall make a full and complete report and accounting to the county judge of Dallas county of all of such fees so collected by him; provided, that in addition to the above he shall receive ten per cent for the collection of delinquent fees as is now provided by law relating to the collection of delinquent fees by county and district attorneys. Such fees, however, to be included in the reports herein provided for and to be taken into consideration in arriving at the total maximum consideration provided in this act."

Mr. Davis of Dallas offered the following amendment to the (committee) amendment:

Amend the committee amendment to House bill No. 35, line 38, after the word "maximum," by striking out the word "consideration" and insert in lieu thereof the word "compensation."

The amendment to the (committee) amendment was adopted.

The (committee) amendment as amended was then adopted.

House bill No. 35 was then passed to engrossment.

Mr. Miller of Dallas moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 232 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. McCoy, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 232, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for days of rest for certain employes of railroads, except in cases of extraordinary emergency, fixing penalties for the violation of this act, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Burton of Tarrant offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 232 by striking out all below the enacting clause and inserting the following:

Section 1. Any person employed as signalman, towerman, leverman, station agent, telegraph operator, telephone operator or other employe in a railroad signal tower, railroad office or public railroad station to receive or transmit telegraphic or telephonic messages or train orders for the movement of trains, and who works nine hours or more in any twenty-four each and every day continuously, must have and shall be allowed at least four days of twenty-four hours in each and every calendar month for rest; except in cases of extraordinary emergency caused by accident, fire, flood or danger to life or property.

Sec. 2. Any person or persons, company, corporation, lessee or receiver who shall violate any of the provisions of Section 1 of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined in any sum not less than one hundred dollars nor more than two hundred dollars.

Sec. 3. Should any part or parts of this act be, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, invalid or inoperative, no other part or parts of this act shall be affected thereby, and the re-



mainder of said act shall stand effective and valid.

Sec. 4. That in enacting this act the Legislature does so by the use and exercise of the police power and the reserved power to alter or repeal charters of the State.

Sec. 5. Whereas, there is no law in this State requiring railroads to allow their employes who receive and transmit messages and train orders affecting the movement of trains days of rest in each calendar month, and whereas on account of not being allowed any rest as aforesaid, the general health of these employes is impaired and they are mentally and physically unfit to perform their work with that efficiency, care and caution the handling of messages and train orders controlling the movement of trains demands in order that the safety of the public may be insured; and whereas said employes named in Section 1 are now denied the observance of the Sunday Sabbath day and it being intended by this act to wherever and whenever possible allow them the days of rest mentioned in this act on Sundays; now, therefore, it is hereby declared that an emergency exists creating an imperative public necessity for the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days and the same is hereby suspended and this law shall take effect and be enforced from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Mr. Yantis offered the following amendment to the (committee) amendment:

Amend committee amendment on page 2, line 27, of the printed bill, after the word "rest," by adding the words "without compensation, and only when requested by the employe."

The amendment to the (committee) amendment was adopted.

The (committee) amendment as amended was then adopted.

Mr. Templeton offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend the bill, page 2, line 24, printed bill, by inserting the word "consecutive" between the word "nine" and the word "hours."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Moore moved the previous question on the engrossment of the bill, and the main question was ordered.

Question then recurring on the en-

grossment of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

(Mr. Spradley in the chair.)

The bill was passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—61.

Bagby.	Morris.
Baker.	Neeley.
Beard of Harris.	Neill.
Bedell.	Nordhaus.
Blalock.	O'Banion.
Boner.	O'Brien.
Bryan.	Osborne.
Burton of Tarrant.	Parks.
Cadenhead.	Peddy.
Canales.	Peyton.
Carlock.	Pillow.
Cope.	Raiden.
Cox.	Reeves.
Davis of Dallas.	Robertson.
Davis	Sentell.
of Van Zandt.	Schlesinger.
Dodd.	Smith of Bastrop.
Estes.	Smith of Hopkins.
Fairchild.	Spencer of Nolan.
Fisher.	Spradley.
Greenwood.	Swope.
Hawkins.	Taylor.
Holland.	Terrell.
Jones.	Thomason
Lacey.	of El Paso.
Lange.	Thompson
Low	of Hunt.
of Washington.	Valentine.
McCoy.	Walker.
McFarland.	Wilson.
Mendell.	Woods.
Miller of Dallas.	Yantis.
Moore.	

Nays—58.

Beard of Milam.	Lindemann.
Beasley.	McComb.
Bell.	McDowra.
Bertram.	McMillin.
Blackburn.	Martin.
Blackmon.	Meador.
Bland.	Metcalfe.
Bledsoe.	Miller of Austin.
Brown.	Murrell.
Burton of Rusk.	Nichols.
Butler.	Poage.
Cates.	Roemer.
Clark.	Rogers.
Davis of Grimes.	Russell.
Dunnam.	Sackett.
Fly.	Sallas.
Haidusek.	Scholl.
Hardey.	Seawright.
Harris.	Smith of Scurry.
Hartman.	Spencer of Wise.
Hill.	Stewart.
Hudspeth.	Templeton.
Laas.	Thompson
Lanier.	of Red River.
Lee.	Tilson.

Traylor.  
Tschoepe.  
Upchurch.  
Veatch.  
White.

Williams  
of Brazoria.  
Williams  
of McLennan.  
Williford.  
Woodul.

Absent.

Beason.  
Bryant.  
Crudgington.  
Denton.  
Florer.  
Lowe  
of McMullen.

Pope.  
Richards.  
Sholars.  
Thomason  
of Nacogdoches.  
Tillotson.

Absent—Excused.

De Bogory.  
Fitzpatrick.  
Laney.  
Monday.  
Schlosshan.

Strayhorn.  
Thomas.  
Tinner.  
Wahrmund.

Paired.

Mr. Dudley (present), who would vote "nay," with Mr. Johnson (absent), who would vote "yea."

#### Reasons for Votes.

I vote "nay" on House bill No. 252, because I have been requested to do so by railroad employes of my county.

BEARD of Milam.

I vote "nay" because no benefit can result to telegraphers in my district, and a majority of them have requested me to oppose the bill as being detrimental to their interests.

WILLIAMS of Brazoria.

Mr. Burton of Tarrant moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 405, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway Company to purchase, own and operate the railroad of the South Plains & Santa Fe Railway Company, with its franchises and appurtenances, now and hereafter owned; and

the railroad of the North Texas & Santa Fe Railway Company, with its franchises and appurtenances, now and hereafter owned; and until such purchase or purchases is or are made to authorize lease by the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway Company of the railroad and other properties of said other companies or either of them, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

G. H. BOYNTON,  
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

#### RECESS.

Mr. Beard of Milam moved that the House recess to 7:30 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. Fisher moved that the House adjourn until 9:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The motion to recess prevailed, and the House accordingly, at 6:15 o'clock p. m., took recess to 7:30 o'clock p. m. today.

#### NIGHT SESSION.

The House met at 7:30 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by Mr. Pope.

#### REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SENATE BILL NO. 37.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following report of the Free Conference Committee on Senate bill No. 37:

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 24, 1917.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate, and Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: We, your Free Conference Committee on Senate bill No. 37, beg leave to report that we have met and adjusted the differences between the House and the Senate, and recommend to the House and Senate the adoption of the following report, to wit:

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 1. That Article 6775 of Chapter 1 of Title 117 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911 be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

"Article 6775. The county clerk or person making such transcript shall be entitled to a reasonable compensation for transcribing, comparing and verifying said records of not to exceed fifteen (15) cents for each one hundred words, the amount of such compensation to be fixed by the commissioners court in the

order authorizing and empowering the clerk to transcribe, compare and verify such records; said compensation to be paid out of the county treasury upon warrants issued under the orders of the commissioners court of the newly created county.'

"Sec. 2. The fact that some of the counties of this State have not their records transcribed at this time and the fact that some of those counties can have same transcribed at less cost than under the present law, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and it is so suspended, and that this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted."

Amend the bill by striking out all before the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"A bill to be entitled 'An Act to amend Article 6775, Title 117, Chapter 1, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, relating to the transcribing of county records for new counties so as to authorize a reasonable compensation for such work to be allowed by the commissioners court in the order authorizing such work and to be paid out of the county treasury of the newly created county, and declaring an emergency.'"

CLARK,  
PARR,  
HUDSPETH,  
DAYTON,  
CALDWELL,  
BRYANT,  
HARDEY,  
McFARLAND,  
CANALES,  
BLACKBURN,

On the part of the Senate.

On the part of the House.

Mr. Cope moved a call of the House for the purpose of maintaining a quorum pending consideration of the report of the Conference Committee on Senate bill No. 37, and the call was duly seconded.

The Speaker then directed the Door-keeper to close the main entrance to the Hall and instructed the Sergeant-at-Arms to lock all other doors leading from the Hall, and stated that no member would be permitted to leave the Hall without written permission from the Speaker.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll and note the absentees.

The roll was called, and the follow-

ing members were reported absent without leave:

Messrs. Bagby, Beard of Harris, Bell, Blackburn, Bland, Bryan, Bryant, Carlock, Cates, Denton, Dunnam, Fisher, Fly, Greenwood, Haidusek, Jones, Lacey, Low of Washington, McComb, McCoy, Martin, Nichols, Pillow, Robertson, Sentell, Schlesinger, Sholars, Smith of Scurry, Spradley, Thomason of El Paso, Tschoepe, Valentine, Walker, White, Yantis.

While the House was standing at ease, awaiting the development of a quorum, the following members came in and were announced present:

Messrs. Bell, Thomason of El Paso, Bryant, Carlock, White.

(Speaker in the chair.)

Question recurring on the report of the Conference Committee on Senate bill No. 37, it was adopted.

#### SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 166, to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate bill No. 361, to the Committee on State Affairs.

Senate bill No. 187, to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

Senate bill No. 223, to the Committee on Education.

Senate bill No. 14, to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

Senate bill No. 202, to the Committee on Counties.

Senate bill No. 405, to the Committee on Common Carriers.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 27 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Nordhaus, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. J. R. No. 27, Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution providing for the levy of a special school tax to provide free text-books in the public schools of the State of Texas; proposing to amend Article 7 of the Constitution by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 16.

The Speaker laid the resolution before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Williams of Brazoria moved that the resolution be laid upon the table subject to call.

Mr. Nordhaus moved to table the motion to lay on the table subject to call, and the motion to table prevailed.

House Joint Resolution No. 27 was then passed to engrossment.

Mr. Nordhaus moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was engrossed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 652 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 652, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a commission to make a complete educational survey of the State of Texas, including the institutions of higher learning and State departments doing extension work or semi-educational work."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Johnson offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend Section 1 by inserting after the word "the," in line 2, "public schools, the."

Amend Section 3 by inserting after the word "include," in line 3, "public schools, and."

Amend House bill No. 652 by adding the following:

"Sec. 5. The crowded condition of the calendar, and the near approach of the end of the Regular Session, and the need for this reform in our methods of dealing with these great educational questions, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that this bill take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted."

Amend caption of said bill by inserting after the words "including the" in line 2, "public schools, the."

The (committee) amendment was adopted.

Mr. Thomason of Nacogdoches offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 652, line 18, by striking out "the President of the North Texas State Normal at Denton," and substituting therefor the follow-

ing: "The president of one State Normal to be selected by the presidents of the four State Normals."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Johnson offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend caption of House bill No. 652 by adding the following: "Making an appropriation, and declaring an emergency."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Lee offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 652, Section 4, line 35, by striking out all of said section after "act."

Signed—Lee, Baker.

Mr. Miller of Dallas moved the previous question on the amendment and the engrossment of the bill, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the amendment, it was lost.

House bill No. 652 was then passed to engrossment.

Mr. Thomason of Nacogdoches moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 208 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. McFarland, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 208, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of the land belonging to the permanent fund of the University of Texas, and the reservation of minerals therein, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Sackett offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 208, Section 1, by striking out the following: "Provided that all leases by the Board of Regents of the University in force when this act becomes effective are hereby validated and shall continue for the term for which made."

The (committee) amendment was adopted.

Pending consideration of the bill, Mr. Davis of Grimes occupied the chair, temporarily.

(Mr. Pope in the chair.)



Mr. Canales moved to postpone further consideration of the bill until Saturday, March 10.

Mr. Blalock moved the previous question on the motion to postpone, and the main question was ordered.

Question then recurring on the motion to postpone, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—38.

Bertram.	Rogers.
Blalock.	Sallas.
Boner.	Schlosshan.
Canales.	Seawright.
Clark.	Smith of Hopkins.
Dunnam.	Stewart.
Florer.	Templeton.
Hartman.	Terrell.
Hawkins.	Thomas.
Hudspeth.	Thompson
McComb.	of Hunt.
McCoy.	Thompson
Mendell.	of Red River.
Miller of Austin.	Tinner.
Murrell.	Traylor.
Neeley.	Upchurch.
Neill.	Williams
O'Banion.	of McLennan.
O'Brien.	Williford.
Peyton.	Woods.
Raiden.	

Nays—71.

Baker.	Harris.
Beard of Harris.	Hill.
Beard of Milam.	Holland.
Beasley.	Johnson.
Beason.	Jones.
Bedell.	Laas.
Bell.	Lanier.
Blackburn.	Lee.
Blackmon.	McDowra.
Bledsoe.	McFarland.
Brown.	McMillin.
Bryant.	Meador.
Burton of Rusk.	Metcalfe.
Butler.	Miller of Dallas.
Cadenhead.	Monday.
Cope.	Moore.
Cox.	Morris.
Crudgington.	Nordhaus.
Davis of Dallas.	Osborne.
Davis of Grimes.	Parks.
Davis	Peddy.
of Van Zandt.	Poage.
Dodd.	Pope.
Dudley.	Reeves.
Estes.	Roemer.
Fairchild.	Russell.
Fisher.	Sackett.
Fitzpatrick.	Scholl.
Fly.	Sholars.
Greenwood.	Smith of Bastrop.
Hardey.	Spencer of Nolan.

Spencer of Wise.	Tilson.
Swope.	Veatch.
Taylor.	Walker.
Thomason	Wilson.
of El Paso.	Woodul.
Thomason	
of Nacogdoches.	

Absent.

Bagby.	Martin.
Bland.	Nichols.
Bryan.	Pillow.
Burton of Tarrant.	Robertson.
Carlock.	Sentell.
Cates.	Schlesinger.
Denton.	Smith of Scurry.
Haidusek.	Spradley.
Lacey.	Tillotson.
Lange.	Tschoepe.
Lindemann.	Valentine.
Lowe	White.
of McMullen.	Williams
Low	of Brazoria.
of Washington.	Yantis.

Absent—Excused.

De Bogory.	Strayhorn.
Laney.	Wahrmund.
Richards.	

Question next recurring on the engrossment of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

House bill No. 208 was passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—61.

Baker.	Greenwood.
Beard of Harris.	Hardey.
Beard of Milam.	Harris.
Beasley.	Holland.
Beason.	Laas.
Bedell.	Lanier.
Bell.	Lee.
Blackburn.	McCoy.
Bledsoe.	McDowra.
Brown.	McFarland.
Bryant.	Meador.
Burton of Rusk.	Metcalfe.
Butler.	Miller of Dallas.
Cadenhead.	Moore.
Clark.	Neill.
Cope.	Osborne.
Cox.	Parks.
Crudgington.	Poage.
Davis of Dallas.	Pope.
Davis of Grimes.	Reeves.
Davis	Russell.
of Van Zandt.	Sackett.
Dodd.	Scholl.
Dudley.	Spencer of Nolan.
Estes.	Spencer of Wise.
Fairchild.	Thomason
Fitzpatrick.	of El Paso.
Fly.	

Thomason	Walker.
of Nacogdoches.	Williams
Tilson.	of Brazoria.
Tinner.	Wilson.
Veatch:	Woodul.

Nays—43.

Bertram.	Raiden.
Blackmon.	Roemer.
Blalock.	Rogers.
Boner.	Sallas.
Canales.	Schlosshan.
Fisher.	Seawright.
Florer.	Sholars.
Hartman.	Smith of Hopkins.
Hawkins.	Stewart.
Hill.	Swope.
Hudspeth.	Templeton.
Jones.	Terrell.
McMillin.	Thomas.
Mendell.	Thompson
Miller of Austin.	of Hunt.
Monday.	Thompson
Morris.	of Red River.
Murrell.	Traylor.
Neeley.	Upchurch.
O'Banion.	Williams
O'Brien.	of McLennan.
Peddy.	Williford.
Peyton.	Woods.

Absent.

Bagby.	McComb.
Bland.	Martin.
Bryan.	Nichols.
Burton of Tarrant.	Nordhaus.
Carlock.	Pillow.
Cates.	Robertson.
Denton.	Sentell.
Duhnam.	Schlesinger.
Haidusek.	Smith of Bastrop.
Johnson.	Smith of Scurry.
Lacey.	Spradley.
Lange.	Taylor.
Lindemann.	Tillotson.
Lowe.	Tschoepe.
of McMullen.	Valentine.
Low.	White.
of Washington.	Yantis.

Absent—Excused.

De Bogory.	Strayhorn.
Laney.	Wahrmund.
Richards.	

Mr. Dudley moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### RELATING TO PREVENTION OF SMALLPOX.

Mr. Dudley offered the following resolution:

Whereas, It is currently reported

that there are more than 350 cases of "black smallpox" in the city of Austin and that there have been several deaths from this epidemic; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be requested to obtain from the State Health Officer at once a statement of the true condition and what steps, if any, are being taken by the local authorities to prevent the spread of same and the protection of this body.

Signed—Bryant, Dudley, Miller of Dallas, Peddy, Spencer of Nolan, Russell.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 750 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Sholars, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 750; A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing the Kountze Corporate School District in Hardin county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time, and was passed to engrossment.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Miller of Dallas, the House at 9:50 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

#### APPENDIX.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 677, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with amendments. Mr. Bryant has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education,

to whom was referred House bill No. 764, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.  
THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 24, 1917.  
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 754, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Meador has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

JOHNSON, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.  
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 776, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.  
THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.  
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 765, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.  
THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.  
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 779, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.  
THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.  
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 389, have had the same under consid-

eration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 24, 1917.  
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 760, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Dunnam has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

MENDELL, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES, SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 24, 1917.  
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 746, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Harris has been appointed to make a full report thereon. Mr. Russell and Mr. Bertram gave notice of minority report.

CLARK, Chairman.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON REVENUE AND TAXATION.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 24, 1917.  
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 696, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

CRUDGINGTON, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 8, 1917.  
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Revenue

and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 213, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with amendment. Mr. Williams of Brazoria has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

CRUDGINGTON, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 8, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 214, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with amendment. Mr. Williams of Brazoria has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

CRUDGINGTON, Vice-Chairman.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS, BRIDGES AND FERRIES.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill No. 767, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

LEE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill No. 747, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

LEE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill No. 769, have had the same under consideration and I am in-

structed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

LEE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill No. 755, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

LEE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 376, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Sackett has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

LEE, Vice-Chairman.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred House bill No. 704, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

HAWKINS, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred House bill No. 407, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

HAWKINS, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on State Af-



fairs, to whom was referred House bill No. 742, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

HAWKINS, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 224, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Schlesinger has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

HAWKINS, Vice-Chairman.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 283, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7235, Chapter 6, Title 124, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, as amended by the Thirty-third Legislature, with reference to the mode of preventing horses and certain other animals from running at large in the counties named so as to include Jefferson county, and exempting a part of said Jefferson county from the provisions of the law, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

RUSSELL, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 373, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the extension by the Penitentiary Commission of the railroad now owned by the State, extending from Rusk, in Cherokee county, to Palestine, in Anderson county, to the city of Dallas, in Dallas county, and for its maintenance, equipment and operation; providing for condemning the right of way and material therefor; providing for condemnation pro-

ceedings; providing for the issuance of bonds by the Penitentiary Commission in an amount sufficient for the extension of said road; providing that said Penitentiary Commission may accept donations or gifts, either in money or lands or other necessities, for the extension of said road; providing that the rate of interest of said bonds shall be five per cent per annum; providing for the redemption of said bonds; providing that said bonds may be purchased at the option of the State Board of Education and State Treasurer with the permanent school fund of the State of Texas; providing that the Railroad Commission of Texas shall have jurisdiction over the traffic carried on and over said road, and authorizing said Commission to compel a fair division of freight and passenger charges between said railroad and all connecting lines therewith; providing that said Penitentiary Commission shall enforce and obey the orders and regulations of the Railroad Commission; providing for working State convicts in the construction of said road, and providing that this act shall be cumulative of all other laws in force in this State, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 735, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1, Chapter 67, Special Laws of Texas, Acts of the Thirty-first Legislature, Regular Session, entitled 'An Act creating the Hamlin Independent School District in Jones county, Texas, etc.,' and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 734, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 6 of the Special Laws passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, 1915, being an act entitled 'An Act to create a more efficient road system for Wood county, etc.,' and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 738, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Remlig Common County Line Independent School District known as Remlig Common County Line School District No. 3, Jasper county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 675, A bill to be entitled "An Act to permit the Enid, Ochiltree & Western Railroad Company and the owners of its properties, purchased at receiver's sale and its and their assigns, trustees and representatives, to take up and remove its railroad construction heretofore made from within the city of Dalhart, in Dallam county, Texas, to the terminus of its track, approximately

thirteen miles in an easterly direction in Hartley county, Texas, and to sell and dispose of same and abandon the same, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 669, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 2, 3 and 14 of an act creating the county court of Dallas county at law, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 3, 1907, and adding thereto Sections 15 and 16, so as to restore to the county court of Dallas county jurisdiction in all matters and causes, civil and criminal, over which by the general laws of the State county courts have jurisdiction, providing for the manner of filing and transferring cases, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 333, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend subdivision 60, Article 1121 of Chapter 2 of Title 25 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas adopted at the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, as amended at the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, authorizing the formation of corporations for the construction and operation of interurban electric, gas or gasoline, denatured alcohol or naphtha motor railways with power to own, construct and operate union depots and office buildings and the right to acquire, hold and operate other public utilities in and adjacent to the cities or towns within or through which said companies operate; and authorizing those heretofore organized to acquire, hold and operate other public utilities in and adjacent to the cities or towns within or through which said companies operate, and providing the method of amending their charter so as to expressly include such authority."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

RUSSELL, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 508, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Fortieth Judicial District, and to create the Eighty-fourth Judicial District of the State of Texas; prescribing the time for holding

district courts therein; and providing for the appointment of the district judge in said Eighty-fourth Judicial District; and providing that any district court in session when this act takes effect shall continue to end of its term, and that process, recognizances, bail bonds, appeal bonds and jurors heretofore selected are valid and returnable to first session after this act takes effect, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 615, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 77 of the General Laws of the Thirty-second Legislature, approved March 17, 1911, and entitled 'An Act to provide for the location, establishment and maintenance of two colonies for the treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis and to provide for the care and treatment of indigent consumptives, and making an appropriation therefor; defining a "citizen" as used in this act, and declaring an emergency,' as amended by the act of March 31, 1913, by adding thereto Sections 22, 23 and 24, authorizing charitable fraternities or societies in this State to erect upon the grounds of the State Tuberculosis Sanitarium accommodations for the preferential use of their own members and their families and the widows and children of their deceased members, such persons to be otherwise admitted, maintained, cared for and treated in said sanitarium under the same rules and regulations as other patients thereof, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

RUSSELL, Vice-Chairman.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 26, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 512, "An Act to create the office of county road supervisor for Mills county, and prescribing the method for his appointment, duties and salary, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 2:30 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.